



Rockhaven Camp and Retreat Center

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Position	Camp Counselor
Compensation	\$550/week, housing and meals provided
Term of employment	10 weeks: Monday, June 3 - Sunday, August 11
Type of Position	Seasonal
Reports to	Camp Director
Deadline to Apply	March 29, 2024

Rockhaven Camp and Retreat Center is a small but mighty 10 acre outdoor ministry of the First Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) of Bozeman, MT. Rockhaven follows an innovative "UnCamp" summer camp model. During UnCamp, free play, nature play, and experiential environmental education are center stage. Located under the magnificent Sheep Rock in beautiful Gallatin Canyon south of Bozeman, Rockhaven is the perfect location to safely and freely explore the wonders of the world around us. Nine sessions of camp are offered from June - August, including day camp and overnight opportunities for kids ages 5-15. All camps include hiking, group games, rock climbing, community fellowship, music, s'mores, and plenty of Rockhaven's signature nature play time. UnCamp is designed to allow campers and counselors the freedom to breathe and decompress, disconnect and discover their sense of curiosity.

At Rockhaven we celebrate diversity in all its forms including, but not limited to, race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, and abilities. We believe that every individual brings unique perspectives and strengths, and we strive to create a space where everyone feels valued, respected, and included.

Camp Counselor Role

Each week, counselors are responsible for overseeing a single group of campers, providing guidance and support throughout the campers' stay at Rockhaven. Counselors have an interactive role with their campers, they are expected to participate in all activities while working to create a safe and fun environment. Most weeks, two counselor groups are paired together to create a community group for certain activities and events. Counselors spend the most time engaging with campers and play a pivotal role in shaping the campers experience.

Responsibilities

- Oversee camper health and safety. Implement and enforce safety protocols to ensure the well-being of campers.
- Promote active engagement of campers participation in all aspects of camp.
- Establish connections with campers by taking the time to understand each individual. Learn about their unique interests, needs, and areas for personal growth.
- Assist campers in creating their daily and weekly schedules around the UnCamp model.
- Collaborate with fellow counselors on decision-making and problem-solving. Contribute positively to a cohesive team environment.
- Foster an inclusive camp environment for ALL campers.
- Proactively participate in resolving conflicts among campers.
- Address safety concerns promptly and report immediately to the Camp Director.

All camp counselors are required to attend staff training in its entirety. If you cannot commit to attending staff training from June 3 - June 8, please reach out to Camp Director Chandler Joiner about additional options before applying.

Qualifications

- 18 years or older as of June 1, 2024 (one year out of high school preferred)
- Genuine interest in working with children of all ages. Demonstrates respect for children and recognizes their unique ways of learning, behaving, and communicating.
- Possess strong listening and communication skills. Effective multitasking abilities.
- The ideal candidate should exhibit a high level of maturity in decision-making, particularly in handling conflict resolution and ensuring the safety of campers.
- A friendly and approachable demeanor with the ability to build positive relationships with campers and fellow counselors.
- Passion for working closely with nature and an interest in conservation and education.
- This role involves spending a significant amount of time outdoors. Candidates should have the ability to lift and carry objects weighing up to 25 pounds. Applicants should be physically capable and willing to participate in activities in multi-terrain environments.
- A commitment to the Christian faith and to Rockhaven as a ministry of the [First Presbyterian Church \(U.S.A.\)](#).

Desired Qualifications

- Valid driver's license and acceptable driving record.
- Experience in a summer camp setting.

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Please email Camp Director Chandler Joiner at chandler@fpcbozeman.org with any questions.

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